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- 1. Poland has closed trade agreements with the USSR, the Russian occupied zone of Germany, Sweden, Switzerland, Yugoslavia, and Romania. During the first seven months of 1946, the import-export situation was as follows:
  - a. Exports to Russia 2.4 billion zloty (sic!): imports from Russia 4.4 billion zloty:
  - b. Exports to Sweden 770.7 million zloty; imports from Sweden 687.7 million zloty:
  - c. Exports to Norway 89.9 million zloty; imports from Norway 119.6 million zloty.
  - d. In addition to the trade agreements, export-import transactions were carried through with Russia, England, Czechoslovakia, the United States, and France; the imported goods represented a value of 88.1 million zloty, while the exports amounted to a value of 1.5 billon sloty (sic).

During August 1946, 59 ships brought 114,000 tons of Swedish metals by way of Odynia and Gdansk (i.e., 45.5 tons arrived in Gdynia and 68.5 tons in Gdansk). A special storage place has been set up and will be able to hold 80,000 to 100,000 tons of metals.

2. The Import Agency of the Polish Textile Industry has announced that increased amounts of cotton will be shipped to Poland from the USSR in the near future. Fifty-eight RR cars of cotton have already arrived in Lodz; another 100 cars are on their way. Cotton deliveries are also expected from egypt and Antwerp where over one thousand tons have been bought. England will ship soon its first consignment of wool; shipments of wool waste are expected from Belgium and Sweden. In giving these figures, the agency points out that there is no shortage of textile raw materials.

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